

CIVIL UNREST

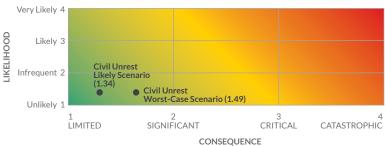


A Civil Unrest hazard occurs when public disorder has the potential to cause damage or harm. Civil Unrest is often the result of ideological conflict and may include protests, riots, demonstrations, civil disobedience, and other forms of public obstruction. Although many expressions of civil unrest are safe and legal, a Civil Unrest hazard occurs when the level of public disorder becomes a threat to health, safety, and property.

HAS IT HAPPENED LOCALLY?

There have been no Civil Unrest hazard events in Howard County during the reviewed time period (1996-2014). Howard County has experienced unruly crowds associated with concerts or gatherings, but none of these situations has escalated beyond control.

RISK MATRIX



WHAT IS THE ONGOING RISK?

There is an expected <1-10% Annual Likelihood of a Civil Unrest hazard in Howard County. In the most likely Civil Unrest scenario, the **Total Impact is considered Limited**. In the worst-case scenario, the Total Impact is considered Limited-Significant.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Howard County's Emergency Operations Center was activated to coordinate resources in response to the 2015 Civil Unrest in Baltimore City.
- The scale of Civil Unrest could range from a small hazard taking up less than a city block to a large riot that occupies several square miles.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

- Howard County Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment readyhoco.com/hazards
- Federal Emergency Management Agency usfa.fema.gov/downloads/pdf/publications/fa-142.pdf

LOCAL RISK OVERVIEW		
Future Likelihood	Unlikely-Infrequent <1-10% chance of annual occurrence	
Impact	MOST-LIKELY	WORST-CASE
	Limited	Limited-Significant
Risk Score	1.34	1.49
Risk Ranking (High to Low)	Ranked #16 of 16 man-made hazards.	

CIVIL UNREST IMPACT

